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A RESOLUTION To celebrate the rich life and great character of Mrs. Bettie Irene Fields.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that this General Assembly should pay tribute to those estimable Tennesseans who have lived long, rich lives and been a tremendous, positive influence on the lives of their families, friends, and the people of their communities; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Bettie Irene Fields celebrated her 90th birthday on April 21, 2001, a milestone that was commemorated as another precious souvenir of life's great pageant; and

WHEREAS, The daughter of the late Joe and Bettie Savage Huddleston, Bettie Irene Fields was born and raised in Rutherford County along with her siblings, Josephine Roper and the late, Zach Huddleston, Mary Elvira James-Wade, Hannah Lilliard, and Jonas Huddleston; she received her education in the Rutherford County School System; and

WHEREAS, Bettie Irene shared great love and companionship with her beloved husband, Jim Fields, Sr., for many years before his death, and the couple's blessed union produced two cherished children, the late Lucy Mary Fields and Jim Fields, Jr.; and

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WHEREAS, Mrs. Fields is the loving grandmother of Jerry Lee Brandon, Lovie Irene Brandon, Pam Brandon-Foxx, Jarethea Brandon-Adams, Calvin Fields, Terry Fields, Michael Fields, and Michelle Fields-Fulton, and the late Elmer Brewer Brandon, Jr. and Kevin Anthony Brandon; and

WHEREAS, She is also the proud great-grandmother of Candance Brandon, Kimberly Johnson, Jarethea Adams, Epiphany Foxx, Monique Adams, Kevin Brandon II, Brandon Adams, Brittany Foxx, Johnathan Adams, Courtney Brandon, Chloe Brandon, Kevin Adams, Calvin Fields, Christopher Fields, Terry Fields, Jr., Mark Fulton, Michael Fulton, Marquise Fulton, and Maya Fulton; and

WHEREAS, As she begins her 10<sup>th</sup> decade, Mrs. Bettie Irene Fields remains an active and productive member of society, participating in various civic and community events and in the Murfreesboro Senior Citizens Organization; and

WHEREAS, A devout Christian, she is a member of the Cherry Grove Missionary Baptist Church, where she is a highly active member of the Church Mothers' Board and greatly enjoys regularly attending Sunday School and Wednesday Night Bible Study; this honorable lady is a tremendous source of inspiration for many of her congregation; and

WHEREAS, This legislative body wishes to take this golden opportunity to recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding and distinguished citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we are honored to specially recognize Mrs. Bettie Irene Fields and commend her for serving as a fine example of the quality of this State's populace.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we wish her much continued happiness and success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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